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1. On 30 November 1952, a train consisting of about 30 cars and carrying about 180 officers and soldiers wearing black-bordered red epaulets, 5 tanks, 1 armored reconnaissance car and military and billeting equipment came from Goessnitz and was unloaded at the Gera-Sued freight station. The trucks which hauled the equipment to the barracks installation in Gera-Tinz included trucks

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One of the tanks which had arrived on 30 November and one armored scout car were loaded for Leipzig-Plagwitz on 1 December. Another train which arrived on 1 December consisted of 25 boxcars with ammunition, fuel and equipment, 4 flatcars with sideracks loaded with equipment and carried about 250 officers and personnel wearing red-bordered black epaulets. On 4 December, the Panzer Kaserne in Tinz was occupied by an estimated 700 to 800 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. On 2 and 3 December, trucks and shuttled equipment from the freight station in Gera-Sued to the barracks installation.¹

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2. The Reuss Kaserne in Gera was occupied to capacity by artillery units until 16 December. The troops had returned from the troop training grounds in late September or early October. On 16 December, about 70 soldiers were observed receiving training on six guns of about 100-mm close to the installation and other soldiers were seen constructing telephone lines.²
3. On 16 December, the barracks installation in Gera Tinz was occupied by two units including a tank unit which had been unloaded at the freight station in Gera during the night of 30 November. The installation appeared to be occupied to capacity.

1. Comment. on 30 November and 1 December 1952, three trains with tanks and equipment went from Glauchau to Part of these shipments are confirmed by the present report. Another report from Glauchau tended to indicate that a tank repair shop of the Eighth Guards Army which had been stationed

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there was transferred. [redacted] Motor vehicles
[redacted] mentioned in Gera were previously reported
in Glauchau.

2. [redacted] Comment. The information indicates no changes in the occu-
pation of the Reuss Kaserne. [redacted]

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